

Amendments to the Specification:

Paragraph beginning at line 22, page 5 has been amended as follows:

In a voice-mail system implemented according to the method of the invention, a user is
5 provided a set of attachment options by which various actions with respect to message
attachments may be selected. As previously indicated, for the voice-messaging system shown in
Figure 1 conventional features are shown by dashed lines and the attachment-option features
provided according to the invention are shown by solid lines. Accordingly, a user may, by
selection of the appropriate keypad number, choose to process either conventional voice-mail
10 system actions **50, 60, 70, 80 & 100 & 80** or attachment related actions **90, 120, 150 & 170 & 40**
& 160 (and subsets thereof) in accordance with the methodology of the invention. [Note that
numerals and other keypad symbols shown within functional blocks of the figure are intended to
represent exemplary keypad choices for invoking the designated function. To avoid possible
confusion with the reference numbers shown in the figure outside each functional block, those
15 functions will be described herein only with respect to such reference numbers.] It will, of
course, be appreciated that the voice-messaging system depicted in Figure 1 is merely exemplary
of such systems, and that the methodology of the invention is applicable to any voice-messaging
system in which attachments may be added to an initially-received message.

20 Paragraph beginning at line 1, page 7 has been amended as follows:

For a preferred embodiment of the invention, the user can interrupt this, or any
other system prompt at any point by pressing a telephone keypad key to execute a system
command—*e.g.*, commands designated **60, 70, 80** or **90** in Fig. 1. As a corollary, in the
absence of a user interrupt, system functions will be engaged according to a default
25 sequence. For example, if no user interrupt **40** is received following the Attachment
Notification, an exemplary default sequence would cause the voice-messaging system to
playback message attachments in order of the most recent first, followed by the original
message.

Paragraph beginning at line 18, page 12 has been amended as follows:

The user may likewise elect to forward a message to another user using the "forward" function **410**. If the message had been designated as either one-time-listenable or non-forwardable, the invention will block the forwarding operation, **440**, and provide the user a prompt advising that the option is blocked for that message. If the message is not precluded from being forwarded, the system may be arranged to prompt whether the user would like to designate the message as one-time-listenable **420** or non-forwardable with regard to downstream users **430**, and then perform the forward operation.

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